

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 22, 31 and 40 as indicated in the following.

Claims Listing:

1. – 21. (Canceled)

22. (Currently Amended) A portable device comprising:

a display screen module comprising a display screen; and

a user control module removably attached to the display screen module and comprising:

a transceiver to wirelessly communicate with a base station coupled to a network;

and

a controller to:

execute an Internet browser application so as to display web page content

on the display screen of the display screen module; [[and]]

communicate voice data with the base station via the transceiver; and

communicate a special purpose packet to the base station via the

transceiver in response to a determination that the display screen

module and the user control module are separated so as to establish

a low-latency connection for communicating packetized voice

data, the special purpose packet including an indicator that the base

station is to give priority to packets having voice data

communicated between the base station and the portable device.

23. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 22, wherein the voice data is communicated between the transceiver and the base station as one or more Internet Protocol (IP) data packets.

24. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 23, wherein the controller and the base station establish a low latency connection for communicating the one or more IP data packets containing the voice data.

25. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 24, wherein the controller executes a voice-over-IP (VoIP) application to communicate the one or more IP data packets.

26. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 22, wherein the user control module further comprises a microphone for detecting the voice of a user and a speaker for transmitting an incoming voice signal to the user.

27. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 22, wherein the controller, in response to a determination that the user control module and the display screen module are separated, initiates a low latency connection with the base station for communicating voice data.

28. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 27, wherein the controller, in response to the determination that the user control module and the display screen module are separated, ceases the execution of the Internet browser application.

29. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 28, wherein the controller, in response to a determination that the user control module and the display screen module are reattached, resumes the execution of the Internet browser application.

30. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 22, wherein at least a portion of the web page content is provided to the Internet browser application from the network via the base station.

31. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a base station coupled to a network; and

a portable device comprising:

a display screen module comprising a display screen; and

a user control module removably attached to the display screen module and comprising:

a transceiver to wirelessly communicate with the base station; and

a controller to:

execute an Internet browser application so as to display web page content on the display screen of the display screen module;

[[and]]

communicate voice data with the base station via the transceiver; and

communicate a special purpose packet to the base station via the transceiver in response to a determination that the display screen module and the user control module are separated so as to establish a low-latency connection for communicating packetized voice data, the special purpose packet including an indicator that the base station is to give priority to packets having voice data communicated between the base station and the portable device.

32. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 31, wherein the voice data is communicated between the transceiver and the base station as one or more Internet protocol (IP) data packets.

33. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 32, wherein the controller and the base station establish a low latency connection for communicating the one or more IP data packets containing the voice data.

34. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 33, wherein the controller executes a voice-over-IP (VoIP) application to communicate the one or more IP data packets.

35. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 31, wherein the user control module further comprises a microphone for detecting the voice of a user and a speaker for transmitting an incoming voice signal to the user.

36. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 31, wherein the controller, in response to a determination that the user control module and the display screen module are separated, initiates a low latency connection with the base station for communicating voice data.

37. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 36, wherein the controller, in response to the determination that the user control module and the display screen module are separated, ceases the execution of the Internet browser application.

38. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 37, wherein the controller, in response to a determination that the user control module and the display screen module are reattached, resumes the execution of the Internet browser application.

39. (Previously Presented) The system as in Claim 31, wherein at least a portion of the web page content is provided to the Internet browser application from the network via the base station.

40. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

displaying web page content on a display screen module of a portable device when the display screen module is attached to a user control module of the portable device; and

in response to a determination that the user control module and the display screen are separated:

ceasing the display of web page content on the display screen; [[and]]

communicating voice data between a user of the portable device and a base station wirelessly coupled to the portable device; and

communicating a special purpose packet to the base station via the transceiver in response to a determination that the display screen module and the user

control module are separated so as to establish a low-latency connection for communicating packetized voice data, the special purpose packet including an indicator that the base station is to give priority to packets having voice data communicated between the base station and the portable device.

41. (Previously Presented) The method as in Claim 40, further comprising:
in response to a determination that the user control module and the display screen are reattached:
ceasing the communication of voice data; and
resuming the display of web page content on the display screen module.
42. (Previously Presented) The method as in Claim 40, further comprising:
initiating a low latency connection between the portable device and the base station for communicating one or more Internet Protocol (IP) data packets containing at least a portion of the voice data.
43. (Previously Presented) A portable device comprising:
a display screen module comprising a display screen; and
a user control module removably attached to the display screen module and comprising:
a transceiver to wirelessly communicate with a base station coupled to a network;
means for executing an Internet browser application so as to display web page content on the display screen of the display screen module;
means for determining whether the display screen module and the user control module are attached; and
means for communicating a special purpose packet to the base station via the transceiver in response to a determination that the display screen module and the user control module are separated so as to establish a low-latency connection for communicating packetized voice data, the special purpose packet including an indicator that the base station is to give priority to

packets having voice data communicated between the base station and the portable device.

44. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 43, wherein the user control module further comprises means for terminating the low-latency connection in response to a determination that the display screen module and the user control module are reattached.

45. (Previously Presented) The portable device as in Claim 43, wherein the indicator includes a minimize delay flag.